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This declaration is to establish completion of the invention in this application in the United States, at a date prior to November 30, 1999, that is the effective date of the prior art patent Manico et al. (US 6,174,094) that was cited by the examiner.

The persons making this declaration are the inventors, Stacy S. Cook, Tami A. Holk-Johnson, and Leland A. Lester.

FACTS AND DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

To establish the date of completion of the invention of this application, the following are submitted as evidence: a presentation packet used during a meeting with prospective investors on January 12, 1998, a presentation packet used during a meeting with prospective investors on June 21, 1999, and supporting statements by Steve Darbin.